

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Rulemaking to implement the provisions of
Public Utilities Code § 761.3 enacted by
Chapter 19 of the 2001-02 Second Extraordinary
Legislative Session.

Rulemaking 02-11-039
(Filed November 21, 2002)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING: REPORT OF
ACTIVITIES AND DECISIONS MADE AT JUNE 3, 2003,
MEETING OF CALIFORNIA ELECTRICITY
GENERATION FACILITIES STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

As a service to the California Electricity Generation Facilities Standards Committee (Committee), the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) has agreed to publish, in the form of an Administrative Law Judge ruling, summaries of activities and decisions made at the Committee's meetings. *See* California Pub. Util. Code § 761.3(b)(2). This ruling is issued following the sixth meeting of the Committee held at the Commission Auditorium in San Francisco commencing at 10:05 a.m. on Tuesday, June 3, 2003. Commissioner Carl W. Wood, Chair, and Michael Kahn (Kahn), Committee member, attended in San Francisco. Committee member Glenn Bjorklund (Bjorklund) participated by telephone from the Workforce Development Center, Employment Development Department, Palm Springs, California, a previously announced public location. The meeting was conducted in compliance with the requirements of California Government Code § 11123.

The meeting covered the agenda items previously announced in the May 23, 2003, notice to the service list maintained for this proceeding. The following persons addressed or asked questions of the Committee: Mark Ziering (Ziering), Commission; Phillip Pettingill, California Independent System Operator; Janet Laduca, Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E); Brian Katz, Southern California Edison; and Ernest Soczka, West Coast Power. The proceedings were transcribed by a court reporter, and the transcript is now available from the Chief Hearing Reporter (415) 703-2288.

The Committee undertook the following actions:

1. General Duty Standards. At its May 2, 2003, meeting, the Committee approved a resolution adopting General Duty Standards 1 through 3 but deferred approving General Duty Standards 4 through 6. The Committee provided interested persons an opportunity to comment on all six proposed standards. Comments on these standards have been received and considered by the Committee, and the Committee has summarized and responded to the Comments.

Bjorklund moved to approve Resolution No. 3, *Revised General Duty Standards for Operation and Maintenance*, attached hereto as Appendix A, which incorporates General Duty Standards 1 through 6. The motion was seconded by Kahn. On a roll call vote, the motion was approved 3-0. By its terms, Resolution No. 3 supercedes Resolution No. 1, previously approved on May 2, 2003.

2. Logbook Standards. Ziering reported on the status of logbook standards for hydroelectric generating facilities. He indicated that Committee staff and Consumer Protection and Safety Division (CPSD) staff desired more time to consider a logbook proposal recently made by two of the utilities. The Committee took no action on the logbook standards.

3. Maintenance Standards. Ziering reported on the revisions to the original Appendix A to the Maintenance Standards. He indicated that more time is needed to modify this document so that it can be proposed to the Committee as additional Maintenance Standards. The Committee took no action on the original Appendix A to the Maintenance Standards.

4. Operations Standards. Ziering reported that a contractor has been selected to assist CPSD and workshops also are planned. Proposed operations standards should be ready for Committee consideration by September 2003 or later in the fall.

5. Next Meeting. No date was established for the Committee's next meeting. The Chair will issue the notice of the time and place for the next meeting.

The meeting concluded at 10:35 a.m.

Persons interested in these proceedings may and should consult the Commission's *Daily Calendar* and web site (www.cpuc.ca.gov) for further notices and documents concerning these meetings. The service list is available on the web pages maintained for this proceeding at www.cpuc.ca.gov/published/proceedings/R0211039.htm.

IT IS SO RULED.

Dated June 4, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ JOHN E. THORSON

John E. Thorson
Administrative Law Judge

APPENDIX A

**CALIFORNIA ELECTRICITY GENERATION
FACILITIES STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

RESOLUTION NO. 3
Adopted June 3, 2003

**REVISED GENERAL DUTY STANDARDS
FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**

WHEREAS the People of the State of California and the California Legislature have found, declared, and enacted the following in Senate Bill No. X2 39 (Chapter 19, Statutes of 2001-2002, Second Extraordinary Session):

- (a) Electric generating facilities and powerplants in California are essential facilities for maintaining and protecting the public health and safety of California residents and businesses,
- (b) It is in the public interest to ensure that electric generating facilities and powerplants located in California are effectively and appropriately maintained and efficiently operated,
- (c) Owners and operators of electric generating facilities and powerplants provide a critical and essential good to the California public, and
- (d) To protect the public health and safety, and to ensure electrical service reliability and adequacy, the California Electricity Generation Facilities Standards Committee (Committee) is established to develop and adopt standards for the maintenance and operation of facilities for the generation of electric energy owned by an electrical corporation or located in California, except those specifically exempted in California Public Utilities Code §§ 761.3(d) and 761.3(h).

WHEREAS the Committee desires to adopt General Duty Standards for Operation and Maintenance (GDS) which complement the specific Standards that the Committee has adopted or is now developing.

WHEREAS the Committee seeks, to the extent possible, to have both general and specific Operation and Maintenance Standards in place for Summer 2003, which may be revised or supplemented by later Committee adoption of revised or supplemental standards.

WHEREAS on May 2, 2003, the Committee adopted Resolution No. 1 and GDS, in particular GDS 1, 2 and 3.

WHEREAS the Committee's Presiding Officer on May 9, 2003, distributed a letter asking for further comments on GDS, including proposed GDS 4, 5, and 6, and GDS objectives.

WHEREAS on or before May 19, 2003, comments were received from Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, West Coast Power, Reliant Energy, Elk Hills Power, AES Generators, and Duke Energy North America, and, on or before May 23, 2003, reply comments were due, but no reply comments were received.

And **WHEREAS** the comments have guided revisions now contained in Attachment A.

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the California Electricity Generation Facilities Standards Committee (Committee) that:

1. The General Duty Standards for Operation and Maintenance adopted on May 2, 2003, are superseded by the General Duty Standards for Operation and Maintenance stated in Attachment A. Participants' comments are summarized in Attachment B, along with Committee consideration of these comments.

2. The General Duty Standards for Operation and Maintenance in Attachment A are established as the general operation and maintenance standards of facilities used for the generation of electric energy owned by an electrical corporation or located in California, except to the extent specifically exempted by California Public Utilities Code §§ 761.3(d) and 761.3(h). The General Duty Standards for Operation and Maintenance complement the more specific Standards that the Committee has adopted, or may subsequently adopt. To the extent addressed by a more specific Standard, compliance with the specific Standard shall satisfy compliance with the general Standard.

3. Committee Staff shall both (a) file this Resolution and adopted General Duty Standards for Operation and Maintenance with the California Public Utilities Commission, and (b) ensure that a copy is served on the service list of participants before the Committee, as soon as reasonably possible.

4. This Resolution is effective today.

Dated June 3, 2003 at San Francisco, California.

Certification of Staff Director:

I certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, passed and adopted at a meeting of the California Electricity Generation Facilities Standards Committee held on June 3, 2003, the following members voting favorably thereon:

Carl W. Wood, Presiding Officer
Michael Kahn, Member
Glenn Bjorklund, Member

/s/ RICHARD CLARK

Richard Clark
Committee Staff Director

(END OF APPENDIX A)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling: Report of Activities and Decisions Made at June 3, 2003, Meeting of California Electricity Generation Facilities Standards Committee on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated June 4, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

ELIZABETH LEWIS

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